



Loudoun News

Report from Scott K. York

Chairman, Loudoun County Board of Supervisors

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Message from Chairman Scott K. York

Dear Friends:

One of the common themes that I have heard from the residents of our great County is the need for our County government to communicate more with our residents.

As such, I am pleased to include you on the distribution list of my newsletter, Loudoun News, in my personal efforts to keep our communities better informed of

the actions of their County government and how it impacts on our lives.

In addition to this newsletter, I invite you to join my E-Team to receive electronic updates from my office. To join please see the reverse side of this newsletter.

As always, if I can ever be of assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Scott K. York

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SAVES 1748 ACRES FROM DEVELOPMENT



The Loudoun County Board of Supervisors voted to approve the purchase of development rights to protect 1748 acres

of open space from development and save taxpayer dollars. Nine separate properties were protected by the Board's action on February 4, 2002.

"This program not only protects our valuable open space and environment, but the taxpayer as well by preventing the costly over-development of critical green space," said Board Chairman Scott K. York (R-At Large). "The development of these properties would have incurred more than \$70 million in government costs for services

and infrastructure improvements over a twenty year period if developed." The County's investment to protect these properties was \$4.4 million.

This Board adopted the Purchase of Development Rights Program, which was initiated by the previous Board of Supervisors, in early 2000. The program is designed to purchase development rights from property owners while keeping the properties on the tax rolls.

"This is an excellent deal for the taxpayers of Loudoun. I am pleased to be able to support this forward looking plan to help protect the taxpayers and preserve the environment and open spaces," concluded Chairman York.

Chairman York: Budget Review Dates Set Additional Work Session Scheduled



Chairman Scott York (R-At Large) of the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors has released a schedule of budget work sessions where Board members will question Department Heads regarding the proposed 2003 budget for their Department.

“My office and this Board is committed to examining every nook and cranny of the proposed 2003 budget,” said Chairman York. “These sessions will require Department Heads to justify their budgets and to be subject to questioning by members of the Board of Supervisors regarding their requests for the coming fiscal year. In addition, the Board has scheduled work sessions where amendments to the budget will be considered.” An additional work session is scheduled for Saturday, March 16th beginning at 9:30 AM. The schedule of meeting dates with the list of County Departments to be questioned is as follows:

- February 28th – 6:30 PM – Joint Work Session with School Board
- Thursday, March 7th – 6:30 PM
Extension Services, Health Department, Housing Services, Mental Health, Social Services, Library Services, Parks, Recreation & Community Services
- Tuesday, March 12th – 6:30 PM
Animal Care and Control, Community Corrections, Juvenile Court Service Unit, Fire/Rescue, Sheriff, Clerk of Circuit Court, Commonwealth Attorney
- Thursday, March 14th – 7:30 PM
Building and Development, Economic Development, Office of Mapping and Geographic Information, Solid Waste Mgmt., Planning, Transportation, Boards, Commissions & Committees, Commissioner of the Revenue, County Administrator, Financial Services, General Registrar, General Services, Information Technology, Management Services, Public Information, Treasurer
- Saturday, March 16th – 9:30 AM
- Tuesday, March 19th – 6:30 PM
- Thursday, March 21st – 6:30 PM

All of the work sessions will be held in the Board Meeting Room located in the Government Center located at 1 Harrison Street, SE in Leesburg.

Join Chairman York’s E-Team



If you would like to be a member of Chairman York’s E-Team to receive updates via e-mail on County issues, to do so is easy.

Visit the County’s web site at www.loudoun.gov. Click on the Government icon on the left side of the page and follow the links to the Board of Supervisors.

Click on Scott York’s web page and to register for the E-Team is as easy as filling out the form on the computer screen.